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Randomly Ordered Arrays)

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed on November 1, 2002 for the above identified U.S. Patent application. This response is submitted on or before February 1, 2003 making this a timely response. This response is accompanied by a Request for a Continued Prosecution Application based under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) and the appropriate filing fee. However the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including